



THOMAS FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

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Date: 12/18/2017 Time: 7:00 PM

Ventura County Fire Information Line: 805-465-6650

Santa Barbara County Fire Information Line: 800-400-1572

Media Line: 925-588-6904

STATUS

Incident Start Date: 12/04/2017		Incident Start Time: 6:26 P.M.	
Incident Type: Wildland Fire		Cause: Under Investigation	
Incident Location: Santa Paula / Ventura		Expected Containment: 01/07/2018	
Total Acreage: 271,000		Containment: 50%	
Firefighter Fatalities: 1	Firefighter Injuries: 0	Civilian Injuries: 0	
Total Cost To Date: \$136,997,000.00			
Structures Threatened: 18,000	Single Family Residences Destroyed: 760	Single Family Residences Damaged: 193	
Multiple Residence Destroyed: 2	Mixed Commercial/Residential Destroyed: 2		
Commercial Structures Destroyed: 19	Other Minor Structures Destroyed: 249	Other Minor Structures Damaged: 42	

RESOURCES

Engines: 876	Water Tenders: 58	Helicopters: 35	Air Tankers: 0	Hand Crews: 161
Dozers: 72	Other: 5	Total Personnel: 8094		

SITUATION

Current Situation:	<p>Regular diurnal flow will continue over the fire area, bringing a slight increase in relative humidity. Resources will continue fire suppression activities and tactical patrol in Montecito, and improve the fire perimeter. While the weather conditions are improving with an increase in humidity recovery, and decrease in wind speeds, fuels remain critically dry. Mop up and strengthening of containment line in the Gibraltar Road area will continue. Direct and indirect fireline construction extending to the north of the Camino Cielo will continue, tying into the Zaca fire.</p> <p>The threat to Fillmore has decreased with the completion of line from town to Devil's Gate. Continued strengthening of control lines will help to further decrease threats. On the north and east flanks of the fire, the fire continues to progress further into the Matilija and Sespe Wilderness and toward the Sespe Condor Sanctuary.</p> <p>Fire suppression repair and Damage Inspection will continue as appropriate based on fire conditions. Repopulation will continue as threats in previously evacuated areas decreases.</p>
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Mandatory Evacuations:	<p>SANTA BARBARA COUNTY The following areas are still under mandatory evacuations. The area between SR 154 and Cravens Lane north of the 192 to east Camino Cielo and Mission Canyon Rd east to Olive Mill Rd between Alameda Padre Serra and SR 192.</p> <p>UNINCORPORATED VENTURA COUNTY Residents and day visitors of Rose Valley</p>
Voluntary Evacuations	<p>SANTA BARBARA COUNTY All areas from Toro Canyon, west to Hot Springs (to include the area between Hot Springs to Alston Road and on to Camino Viejo to where it intersects with SR-192; and all area from highway 101 north to SR-192. North Patterson Road to SR-154, Cathedral Oaks Road to intersection of SR-154 at Painted Cave Road. SR 192(Foothill Rd) to the north, to Stagecoach Rd to the west, 101 to the south to La Cumbra Rd in the west. N. La Cumbre Road east to Mission Canyon Road between State Street and SR-192.</p>
Evacuation Centers:	<p>City of Ventura - Ventura County Fairgrounds at Miners Building City of Goleta - UCSB</p>
Animal Evacuations:	<p>All animal evacuations are being handled at the Ventura County Fairgrounds located at 10 W Harbor Blvd, Ventura, CA 93001</p>
Cooperating Agencies:	<p>CAL FIRE, Ventura County Fire, Ventura County Sheriff, Santa Barbara County Fire, Santa Barbara County Sheriff, Santa Barbara City Fire, City of Ventura Fire, Oxnard Fire Department, Oxnard Police Department, City of Ventura Police Department, USFS/Los Padres National Forest, CAL OES, Red Cross, Southern California Edison, CHP, California Dept. of Corrections and Rehabilitation, SoCalGas, Santa Paula Police, Santa Paula Fire, Ventura County OES, Santa Barbara OEM, Montecito Fire, Carpinteria – Summerland Fire, California Conservation Corp, Cal Trans</p>
<p>For more information on Ready, Set, Go, go to www.readyforwildfire.org For more fire information go to https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/5670</p>	